



MEDICAID REDESIGN IMPLEMENTATION

Webinar

September 8, 2016

A Few Reminders for Participants

- There will be time for participants' questions at the end
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Implementing Reform

- Broke down major components of SB74
 - 16 workgroups to implement reform
 - DHSS is the lead for 12 workgroups
- This webinar is the kick-off of the implementation
- Key Partner Meeting – September 28
 - More details to come
 - Sign up for email updates

1. 1915 (i) and (k) Options

- Contracted with HMA to analyze potential opportunities, costs, and savings associated with these options
- Final report to be released soon
- Recommendations:
 - Move forward with 1915(k)
 - Consider other options for 1915(i)

2. Behavioral Health Reform

- Comprehensive behavioral health reform
 - Partner with the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority
 - 1115 Waiver to redesign behavioral health services
 - Removal of grant requirement to be a Medicaid provider
- 6 Waiver Development Teams
 - Policy, Cost, Benefits, Quality, Data, Writing
 - Policy Team met on Sept. 2nd
- Submit Concept Paper to CMS by 12/31/16

3. Coordinated Care Demonstration Projects

- Process:
 - Request for proposals by Dec. 31, 2016
 - More than one contract / More than one year
 - Proposal Review Committee
 - Review by Third Party Actuary
- Technical Assistance: PHPG
- Request for Information: mid September

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4. Eligibility Verification System; Work & Social Supports

- Computerized income, asset and identity verification system
 - Third party vendor
 - Annual savings must exceed the cost of implementing the system
- Referrals to community and social support services, including career and education training services
 - (Medicaid Reform Program – Slide 10)

5. Tribal Claiming Policy

- New Federal Policy
 - reinterprets services “received through” an IHS facility
- Allows the state to claim 100% federal reimbursement for Medicaid services provided to Alaska Native / American Indian Medicaid recipients in non-tribal facilities
 - If the recipients’ tribal health organization has a referral agreement with the non-tribal facility
- \$32M in savings for FY17
 - Targets: Air and ground ambulance, transportation, nursing facility, Residential Psychiatric Treatment Facility, and NICU/PICU services

6. Fraud & Abuse Prevention

- Alaska Medicaid False Claim and Reporting Act
 - <http://www.akhealthreform.org/medicaid-redesign/>
- Allows the department to assess interest and penalties on any identified overpayment
- Requires providers to conduct self-audits every two years

7. Health Information Infrastructure Plan

- RFP for the contractor to support the Health Information Infrastructure Plan
 - <https://iris-vss.alaska.gov/webapp/PRDVSS1X1/AltSelfService>
 - Workgroup to convene in July 2017
- Awaiting CMS approval for HITECH funding request that includes funding for several of the reforms
 - 90/10 Match

8. Medicaid Reform Program

- Calls out 11 different Medicaid reforms
 - Some included in other reform efforts
- Electronic distribution of EOBs
- Stakeholder involvement in setting annual targets for quality and cost-effectiveness
 - Workgroup Details:
 - 3 to 4 meetings between Oct 2016 - June 2017
 - Looking for balanced representation from different types of stakeholders
 - If you are interested in serving on this workgroup, please write a short statement regarding your interest in participating, the stakeholder community you would represent, and why you think you would be a good contributor to this effort.
 - Send to Medicaid.Redesign@alaska.gov by Thursday, September 15
- Annual report to the Legislature due Nov 15 each year

9. Primary Care Initiative

- Primary Care Case Management
 - Temporary program to serve as a bridge to system-wide primary care case management.
 - Expand the Alaska Medicaid Coordinated Care Initiative (AMCCI)
 - Allow Coordinated Care Demonstration Projects and behavioral health system reform to develop and test new models of primary care case management.
 - Then transition Medicaid recipients to appropriate program
- Health Homes
 - Planning for Health Home services = 2018
 - Coordinated Care Project Demonstration projects may propose to develop and pilot test a Health Home model
 - Other reform initiatives may choose to implement a Health Home model, earlier for specific populations.

10. Privatization Studies

- Contracts were awarded to:
 - PCG (Public Consulting Group) to conduct the API privatization feasibility study
 - Carter Goble Associates to conduct the DJJ privatization feasibility study.
- RFP for the Pioneer Homes pharmacy privatization study was released on two different occasions.
 - Both times the offeror was deemed non-responsive.
 - More information will be coming soon on the Department's next steps.

11. Reporting Requirements

- Annual Medicaid Reform Report
 - 15 items the report must include
 - Savings from the Medicaid reform Program (slide 10)
 - Decrease in the number of frequent users of the ER
 - Percent increase/decrease in the general fund spending for the average Medicaid recipient
 - Percent increase/decrease in number of hospital readmissions within 30 days
- Annual Medicaid Fraud, Payment Error Rate Measurement and Eligibility Quality Control Report
 - 9 items the report must include
- Other one-time or time limited reports

12. Telemedicine Workgroup

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13. Emergency Care Improvement

- Alaska State Hospital & Nursing Home Association is the lead
 - Alaska Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians
- Similar to “ER is for Emergencies” program
- Public Private partnership for ER overutilization
 - Real-Time information exchange

14. Health Care Authority

- Dept. of Administration is the lead agency
- Study the feasibility of creating a Health Care Authority to coordinate or consolidate state health care purchasing.
- Contract was awarded to PRM Consulting Group

15. Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

- Dept. of Commerce, Community & Economic Development is the lead agency
- Registering with the database
 - Drug Enforcement Agency number
 - Dentists, Physicians, ANPs, Optometrists, Pharmacists
- Exemptions when prescribing or dispensing schedule II or III controlled substances
- Submit data on at least a weekly basis
- Access for tribal health practitioners
- Guidelines for the prescription of Schedule II controlled substances

16. SB91 Integration

- Dept. of Corrections is the lead agency
- First meeting of the SB 91 Initiative Workgroup held on August 29
 - Second meeting scheduled for Monday, September 26
- DHSS is an important partner for SB91 Implementation
 - Removes the lifetime ban on food stamps for individuals with felony drug convictions, if conditions related to substance use treatment, recovery and rehabilitation are demonstrated
 - DHSS is required to increase access to evidence-base rehabilitation programs including drug and alcohol treatment, mental health and cognitive behavioral programs
 - Ensure those who are eligible, are enrolled in Medicaid and other available public assistance programs upon release from a correctional facility
 - Encourages increased partnerships between DOC, DHSS and community service agencies to provide “in-reach” programming, consultation and support.

CATALYST FOR REFORM

Medicaid Payment Reform Consulting Services

- Contractor will assist with several reform efforts:
 - Coordinated Care Demo Project
 - 1115 Behavioral Health Waiver
 - Shared Savings Model for Emergency Dept. Improvement
 - Primary Care Case Management
 - Innovative Payment Reform Models
 - Bundled Payments
 - Penalties for Hospital Readmissions and Outcome Failures
- Closes on September 23
- <https://iris-adv.alaska.gov/webapp/PRDVSS1X1/AltSelfService>

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 - dhss.alaska.gov/healthyalaska

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Questions?

Thank you!

